

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Railroad Administration (FRA)
Range-wide Programmatic Informal Consultation for
Indiana Bat and Northern Long-eared Bat

Project Submittal Form for FHWA, FRA, and Transportation Agencies
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In order to use the programmatic informal consultation to fulfill Endangered Species Act consultation requirements, transportation agencies must use this form to submit project-level information for all may affect, not likely to adversely affect (NLAA) determinations to the appropriate U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) field office prior to project commencement. For more information, see the Standard Operating Procedure for Site Specific Project(s) Submission in the User's Guide.

In submitting this form, the transportation agency ensures that the proposed project(s) adhere to the criteria of the range-wide programmatic informal BA. Upon submittal of this form, the appropriate Service field office may review the site-specific information provided and request additional information. If the applying transportation agency is not notified within 14 calendar days of emailing the Project Submittal Form to the Service field office, it may proceed under the range-wide programmatic informal consultation.

Further instructions on completing the form can be found by hovering your cursor over each text box.

1. Date:

2. Lead Agency:

This refers to the Federal governmental lead action agency initiating consultation; select FHWA or FRA as appropriate

3. Requesting Agency:

a. Name:

b. Title:

c. Phone:

d. Email:

4. Consultation Code¹:

5. Project Name(s):

¹ Available through IPaC System Official Species List: <https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/>

6. Project Description:

Please attach additional documentation or explanatory text if necessary

7. Other species from Official Species List:

No effect – project(s) are inside the range, but no suitable habitat – see additional information attached

May Affect – see additional information provided for those species (either attached or forthcoming)

8. For Ibat/NLEB, if Applicable, Explain Your No Effect Determination

No effect – project(s) are outside the species' range (*form complete*)

No effect – project(s) are inside the range, but no suitable summer habitat (*form complete*)

No effect from maintenance, alteration, or demolition of bridge(s)/structure(s) – results of inspection surveys indicate no signs of bats. (*form complete*)

No effect – other (*see Section 2.2 of the User's Guide – form complete*)

Otherwise, please continue below.

9. Affected Resource/Habitat Type

Trees

Bridge

Other Non-Tree Roosting Structure (e.g., building)

Other (please explain):

10. For Tree Removal Projects:

- a. Please verify that no documented roosts or foraging habitat will be impacted and that project is within 100 feet of existing road surface:
- b. Please verify that all tree removal will occur during the inactive season²:
- c. Timing of clearing:
- d. Amount of clearing:

11. For Bridge/Structure Work Projects:

- a. Proposed work:
- b. Timing of work:
- c. Evidence of bat activity on bridge/structure:
- d. If applicable, verify that superstructure work will not bother roosting bats in any way:
- e. If applicable, verify that bridge/structure work will occur only in the winter months:

² Coordinate with local Service field office for appropriate dates.

12. Please confirm the following:

Proposed project(s) adhere to the criteria of the range-wide programmatic informal BA (see Section 2.0).

All applicable AMMs will be implemented, including³:

Tree Removal AMM 1:

Dust Control AMM 1:

Tree Removal AMM 2:

Water Control AMM 1:

Tree Removal AMM 3:

Water Control AMM 2:

Tree Removal AMM 4:

Water Control AMM 3:

Bridge AMM 1:

Water Control AMM 4:

Bridge AMM 2:

Water Control AMM 5:

Bridge AMM 3:

Water Control AMM 6:

Bridge AMM 4:

Wetland/Stream Protection AMM 1:

Structure AMM 1:

Wetland/Stream Protection AMM 2:

Structure AMM 2:

Wetland/Stream Protection AMM 3:

Structure AMM 3:

Wetland/Stream Protection AMM 4:

Structure AMM 4:

Wetland/Stream Protection AMM 5:

Lighting AMM 1:

Wetland/Stream Protection AMM 6:

Lighting AMM 2:

³ See AMMs Fact Sheet (Appendix B) for more information on the following AMMs.